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BILL GRANT, RIGHT, SMILES AS HE IS PRESENTED THE CSNA MEDAL OF MERIT
BY AL BABER, WHO WAS THE PREVIOUS RECIPIENT. See page 43.



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A message from your President:

GET KIDS INTO COINS!!!

BY JOEL ANDERSON



Kids are an important part of expanding this hobby which we all love. By helping to get kids interested in coin collecting, you provide them with a hobby for a lifetime, as well as teach them important lessons about history, geography, art and economics. Local coin clubs are well suited for bringing kids into the hobby. Today kids have many avenues for entertainment. If you are going to get them to Coin Clubs the meetings will have to be interesting to them. Face it, many coin club meetings are dull, even for us grown-ups. Here are a few ways to provide a youth friendly atmosphere in your club meetings.

Kids should be given jobs to do as part of the regular club whenever possible. This can be selling raffle tickets, acting as auction runners, serving refreshments or whatever. It is important to make them feel that their presence is needed in the club. Even if your club may feel it does not need someone to be an auction runner or serve refreshments, make the position available. You may be surprised at how much the club and the juniors both benefit.

Special programs for young collectors definitely help encourage kids in their collecting. Some clubs, such as **THE REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB**, put on a juniors program before the meeting. Others, such as **THE GATEWAY COIN CLUB** hold their program in a separate area during the business portion of the meeting.

Here are a few ideas for Juniors in **YOUR** coin club. Everyone would benefit by getting some fresh ideas. Of course, many of these ideas would work on the adult portion of the meeting as well.

1. **WHERE IS IT FROM?** Juniors are each given a foreign coin or note. They must determine where it is from, what denomination it is and a country next to it on the map. A more advanced possibility is to have them report at the next meeting about the coin and the country. If they can successfully identify the coin or note they are given another, more difficult one to identify. They get to keep everything they identify. Be sure to have the proper reference books available to help them.
2. **MAKE YOUR OWN MONEY!** Designing money is fun. I purchased , from a wooden nickel manufacturer, a batch of woods that were blank on one side and had the standard Indian or buffalo on the other. The kids are given colored pens and go to work to "make their own money". After a few tries some truly original artwork begins to emerge. The same type of program can be done on discs of paper.

Alternatively, your juniors can design currency by giving them “currency size” pieces of paper. Some of their artwork puts the stuff the US government produces to shame.

3. HOW DO YOU GRADE THAT COIN? Everyone grades a group of about circulated US coins. I usually suggest using the grading standards listed, in the “Redbook” since most juniors have a copy, and if they don’t the club has some available for them. The “Club experts” also assign a grade, however the experts have to justify exactly how they came up with their assigned grades to the juniors. It is interesting to see how close the two come, or don’t come.

4. WHAT IS IT? Small details of coins or notes are pictured (such as Washington’s nose from the quarter, part of a motto, an eagle’s wing etc.). The Juniors have to figure out what the coin is. This can be tough even for adults! For these I scan the details directly from a coin into my computer, then use the computer to crop the picture and blow it up to a reasonable sized illustration.

5. QUIZ For quizzes to be successful they need to be fun. One good quiz was to ask how many times the number or the word “one” appears on a one dollar bill (excluding the series number, serial number or plate numbers). Another was to ask how many times does “thirteen of something” appear on the one-dollar bill. Be sure to give them a dollar bill to examine, and five or ten minutes to study it while answering the quiz.

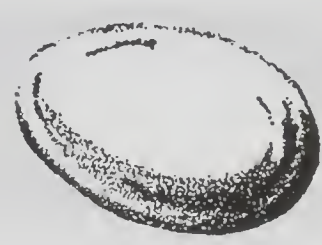
6. JUNIOR SHOW AND TELL Juniors are encouraged to bring items to show and tell. If your club already has a show and tell it can be during that period, or it can be a special time during the meeting. Of course each entry is rewarded with ample applause and perhaps a coin or a raffle ticket. CUPERTINO COIN CLUB publishes who and what was shown in their monthly “Coin Press”.

7. MEMORY GAME Kids are given five minutes to look at a box of ten to twenty assorted coins and notes, after which the box is covered up. They then have five minutes to write down what was in the box. Extra points are given for getting the right date and mintmark.

I would like to thank LEE GONG, SALLY MARX, WALTER OSTROMECKI, CHUCK WHITE, and the many others who work with juniors for suggesting these and other ideas. I look forward to hearing how you helped “get kids into coins”.

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TRIVIA: THE DISTRICT OF KARA KALA IN ARMENIA ISSUED EGGS AS CURRENCY DURING THE POST WAR PERIOD OF WWI. A DOZEN EQUALED ONE RUBLE. TRY CARRYING THAT IN YOUR WALLET OR MONEY CLIP!!



CONVENTION REPORT:

CSNA 101ST—PASADENA &

8TH ANNUAL GOLDEN STATE COIN SHOW IN REVIEW

BY WILLIAM J GRANT, GENERAL CHAIRMAN

The show was held on Labor Day weekend, August 30 and 31, 1997. This years show could be the first in an annual event during a National Holiday!

I arrived at the Convention Center just after lunch Friday. KAY LENKER, ETHEL and MARLIN LENHERT were already there. Except for a few adjustments, the bourse floor was ready for the dealers four o'clock arrival. All but three or four dealers were in place by closing time Friday (the remaining dealers reported on Saturday morning.)

About mid afternoon the able-bodied property man, PHIL IVERSEN, showed up with his full truck of exhibit cases, signs, night covers etc. The work was about to begin.

On Friday night a most welcomed hospitality room was available, providing a relaxing time to wind down after such a hectic day of getting things together. JOYCE KUNTZ had a great array of snacks for those who attended.

Advertising Chairman FREDDIE GRANT had all the newspapers in the Southern California area covered. WALTER OSTROMECKI sent pages of publicity to both local and national newspapers. Security Chairman LEE KUNTZ reported no trouble or problems and guards were in place. JERRY YAHALOM, Program Chairman, arrived early Saturday with the Shows program. All was ready.

Saturday was a busy day to say the least. At 9AM, CSNA started the day off with its Board and general membership meeting. At 11AM, the CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY held a meeting with HAROLD KATZMAN speaking about "Autographs on PMCs". He had many examples to display. In addition, Harold was the GSCS's Patron Program Chair.

At the club tables, COIN President SALLY MARX provided the Juniors with free coins and coin folders. NASC was selling medals and mugs, and CSNA sold medals and had the auction sale items available for inspection.

Following lunch the Educational Forum Chairman SALLY MARX introduced guest speaker JIM HUNT who provided numismatic interest of the old west. His topic "The Comstock Lode and the Carson City Mint" contained a number of illustrations.

At 3PM CSNA took the spotlight with its second in a series of CSNA SALES. The auction was well attended with many buyers on hand. LARRY BABER conducted the sale while Dad & Mom (Al and Dorothy), JOYCE KUNTZ and VIRGINIA BURKE provided assistance. Bidders from both the book and attendees kept the sale active. It was so active that I did not get one item I wanted!

The Peppermill Restaurant in Pasadena was the site for the GSCS Banquet. A very, very nice banquet it was with 45 numismatists in attendance, a wonderful meal, and a great time was had by all. Two ANA Board of Governors KAY LENKER and HELEN CARMODY were on hand to enjoy the evening. Banquet Chairman ETHEL LENHERT introduced NONA MOORE who performed the Master of Ceremonies duties.

Following dinner, the program was turned over to DON and TERRY FOSTER who conducted the exhibits awards. This year there were 19 exhibitors, 43 cases or 140 feet of table space in SIX categories. A great turnout!!

Numerous awards were presented (see pictures on following pages) and NASC President JERRY YAHALOM recognized BILL GRANT and AL HOOGEVEEN who tied for "The Goodson Award" which was presented to both in January 1997. Medals Chairman, JOYCE KUNTZ presented two sets of medals to BILL GRANT. The first was an off medal set of the 101st convention medal in appreciation for his work as General Chairman. The second was the designers off metal set.

AL and DOROTHY BABER were introduced to present a special award. The CSNA's highest award "Medal of Merit" was about to be presented unexpectedly, to an unaware, super surprised BILL GRANT. I can't tell you how I felt when I heard my name. I thank you, thank you, thank you!!

By quitting time Sunday, Registrar MARY YAHALOM reported that registration had surpassed the 600 mark for the two day event.

The show concluded Sunday afternoon with NASC holding its annual club benefit gold drawing, conducted by MARLIN LENHERT. There were thirty-five lucky winners.

The three co-sponsors, the California State Numismatic Association (CSNA), Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC) and the Council of International Numismatists (COIN) worked very hard to put this show together. They can be very proud of their accomplishments. We are all looking forward to next years GOLDEN STATE COIN SHOW. I sure hope you are too. Thanks for the memory!

The Editor thanks PHIL IVERSEN & Bill Grant for the photos on the following pages:

**Dorothy Baber (left)
and Joyce Kuntz
busy selling medals
during the Golden
State Coin Show**



**Marian Sinton &
Gordon Donnell
Greet Show
Attendees at the
Registration
Table**



**Harold Katzman with
many of his collectible
items after his program
presented at the California
Exonumist Society Meeting**



**Hardworking Larry
and Al Baber
preparing for
the 2nd CSNA Sale on
Saturday morning
August 30th**

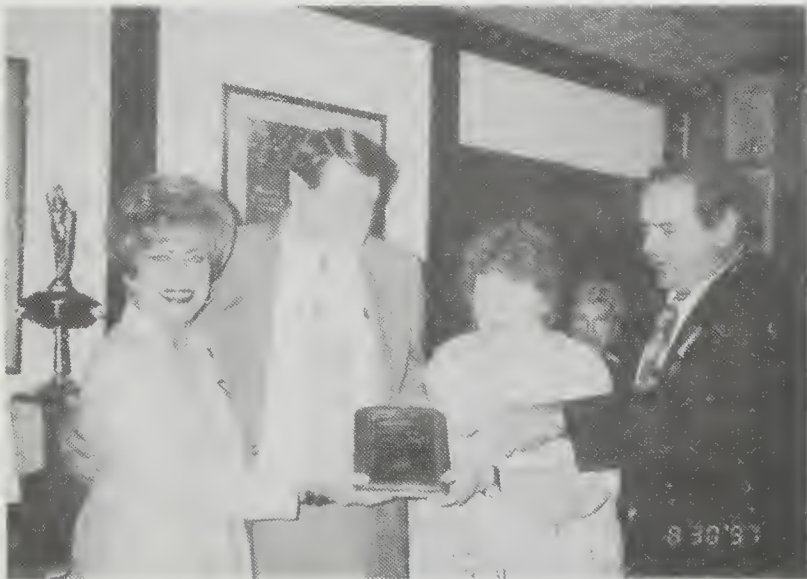


**From Left to Right
Ginny Bourke,
Joyce Kuntz and
Al Baber Keep
Tabs on CSNA
Auction Lot:**

**Sally Marx (left)
presents
Jim Hunt
with an Onyx
Gift Set after
Jim's very
interesting
Educational
Forum**



**Saturday Night
Banquet: Master
of Ceremonies:
NONA MOORE**



**Bill & Freddie Grant (Center)
accept ANA's Outstanding
Club Ambassador Award from
ANA Governor Helen Carmody
and Region 8 Coordinator
Walter Ostromecki**

**Tom Fitzgerald, left
looks on as Mary &
Jerry Yahalom show
their Krause Ambassador
Award received at the
banquet**



Phil Iversen wearing lei from his award winning display, smiles as he holds the coin he won during the NASC Gold drawing at close of show



A LETTER FROM.....

November 5, 1997

*William Grant
CSNA Vice President*

Dear William:

Thank you so much for sending the three medals which honor the 50th anniversary of my breaking the sound barrier. They are a wonderful addition to my collection. I appreciate the consideration and please convey my best to each member of the California State Numismatic Association.

Sincerely,

*(Signed) Chuck Yeager
Charles E Yeager
Brig Gen, USAF Ret*



CSNA AUCTION -PART TWO

PRICES REALIZED - PASADENA CA

Unsold lots were donated to the Juniors Program

LOT#	AMT	LOT#	AMT	LOT#	AMT	LOT#	AMT
305	\$ 2.00	306	\$ 3.00	307	\$ 1.00	308	\$ 12.00
309	2.00	310	4.00	311	6.00	312	6.00
313	3.00	314	7.00	315	11.00	316	6.00
317	41.00	318	22.00	319	1.00	320	8.00
321	12.00	322	8.00	323	8.00	324	8.00
325	8.00	326	35.00	327	20.00	328	20.00
329	18.00	330	13.00	331	40.00	332	17.00
333	1.00	334	20.00	335	18.00	336	22.00
337	20.00	338	17.00	339	4.00	340	-----
341	4.00	342	20.00	343	110.00	344	20.00
345	31.00	346	20.00	347	34.00	348	38.00
349	14.00	350	12.00	351	18.00	352	14.00
353	2.00	354	9.00	355	-----	356	5.00
357	16.00	358	6.00	359	1.00	360	4.00
361	18.00	362	22.00	363	12.00	364	80.00
365	95.00	366	36.00	367	32.00	368	12.00
369	12.00	370	32.00	371	30.00	372	2.00
373	5.00	374	42.00	375	4.00	376	20.00
377	3.00	378	40.00	379	6.00	380	6.00
381	-----	382	5.00	383	30.00	384	18.00
385	5.00	386	15.00	387	13.00	388	17.00
389	14.00	390	36.00	391	18.00	392	22.00
393	12.00	394	22.00	395	17.00	396	34.00
397	14.00	398	3.00	399	7.00	400	22.00
401	7.00	402	7.00	403	10.00	404	10.00
405	16.00	406	7.00	407	10.00	408	25.00
409	7.00	410	22.00	411	8.00	412	7.00
413	6.00	414	7.00	415	25.00	416	26.00
417	40.00	418	1.00	419	8.00	420	2.00
421	15.00	422	1.00	423	1.00	424	19.00
425	12.00	426	2.00	427	8.00	428	7.00
429	20.00	430	85.00	431	15.00	432	115.00
433	350.00	434	17.00	435	24.20	436	7.50
437	6.00	438	190.00	439	11.00	440	5.00
441	5.00	442	6.00	443	10.00	444	7.50
445	3.00	446	17.00	447	16.00	448	2.00
449	1.00	450	36.00	451	4.00	452	7.00

LOT#	AMT	LOT#	AMT	LOT#	AMT	LOT#	AMT
453	\$ 7.00	454	\$ 23.00	455	\$230.00	456	\$ 2.00
457	11.00	458	4.00	459	9.00	460	7.00
461	85.00	462	40.00	463	62.00	464	2.00
465	2.00	466	2.00	467	6.00	468	22.00
469	1.00	470	28.00	471	82.00	472	21.00
473	16.00	474	90.00	475	6.20	476	3.00
477	11.00	478	125.00	479	45.00	480	2.00
481	24.00	482	30.00	483	27.00	484	34.00
485	70.00	486	16.00	487	28.00	488	26.00
489	7.00	490	8.00	491	7.00	492	10.00
493	-----	494	34.00	495	30.00	496	28.00
497	22.00	498	12.00	499	8.00	500	3.00
501	28.00	502	40.00	503	21.00	504	27.00
505	10.00	506	6.00	507	135.00	508	13.00
509	26.00	510	19.00	511	30.00	512	32.00
513	115.00	514	5.00	515	15.00	516	32.00
517	230.00	518	11.00	519	11.00	520	24.00
521	17.00	522	13.20	523	12.20	524	11.00
525	7.00	526	13.00	527	17.00	528	38.00
529	14.40	530	28.00	531	17.00	532	17.00
533	42.00	534	3.00	535	17.00	536	17.00
537	6.00	538	8.00	539	25.00	540	46.00
541	4.00	542	54.00	543	16.70	544	5.00
545	11.00	546	12.00	547	28.00	548	34.00
549	9.00	550	12.00	551	5.00	552	30.00
553	22.00	554	24.00	555	34.00	556	15.00
557	85.00	558	35.00	559	22.00	560	9.00
561	15.00	562	160.00	563	6.00	564	3.00
565	5.00	566	7.00	567	4.00	568	9.00
569	7.00	570	21.70	571	80.00	572	9.00
573	13.00	574	5.00	575	200.00	576	8.00
577	8.00	578	30.00	579	7.00	580	3.00
581	14.00	582	2.00	583	4.80	584	-----
585	20.00	586	16.00	587	42.00	588	1.00
589	6.00	590	7.00	591	8.00	592	12.00
593	20.00	594	20.00	595	9.00	596	6.00
597	6.00	598	18.00	599	18.00	600	13.00
601	10.00	602	8.00	603	12.00	604	12.00
605	16.00	606	20.00	607	20.00	608	6.00
609	8.00	610	20.00	611	26.00	612	3.00
613	21.00	614	6.00	615	2.00	616	120.00

EXHIBIT WINNERS

1997 GOLDEN STATE COIN SHOW

CATEGORY B-US COMMEMORATIVE COINS

SPONSOR: JERRY & MARY YAHALOM

FIRST PLACE 1928 HAWAIIAN SESQUICENTENNIAL HALF DOLLAR
EXHIBITOR: PHIL IVERSEN
SECOND PLACE BAY BRIDGE COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLAR
EXHIBITOR: ROY IWATA
THIRD PLACE UNITED STATES HALF DOLLAR COMMEMORATIVES ON PARADE
EXHIBITOR: DALE SNYDER

CATEGORY D-MODERN FOREIGN (AFTER 1500)

SPONSOER:KAY EDGERTON LENKER

FIRST PLACE ODD AND CURIOUS MONEY OF SIAM
EXHIBITOR: CHUCK WHITE
SECOND PLACE COINS COME IN MANY SHAPES AND SIZES
EXHIBITOR:MATT MILLER

CATEGORY E-CURRENCY

SPONSOR:ANGUS BRUCE

FIRST PLACE KNOW YOUR MONEY
EXHIBITOR: AL BABER
SECOND PLACE LOCAL CURRENCY
EXHIBITOR: ARRI JACOB

CATEGORY G-MEDALS

SPONSOR-JOYCE & G LEE KUNTZ

FIRST PLACE FRANKLIN MINT VERSION -THOMASON MEDALLIC BIBLE
EXHIBITOR: ETHEL LENHERT
SECOND PLACE TEST PILOT CHUCK YEAGER REMEMBERED
EXHIBITOR: BILL GRANT
THIRD PLACE CSNA MEDALS FIRST 50 YEARS
EXHIBITOR: AL BABER

CATEGORY I-MISCELLANEOUS

SPONSOR:HAROLD KATZMAN

FIRST PLACE NORTON NOTE
EXHIBITOR:KAY EDGERTON LENKER
SECOND PLACE DEPRESSION ERA WOODEN MONEY
EXHIBITOR:GORDON DONNELL
THIRD PLACE MUSIC-RELATED GERMAN NOTGELD (POST WW 1)
EXHIBITOR:MORT SHAVER

NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

YAP STONE JEWELRY AND MINIATURES ==G LEE KUNTZ
CSNA GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY==PHIL IVERSEN

PEOPLES CHOICE AWARD
& FIRST PLACE -MODERN FOREIGN



**CHUCK WHITE (CENTER)
 RECEIVES AWARDS
 FOR HIS EXHIBIT
 "ODD AND CURIOUS
 MONEY OF SIAM"
 FROM TERRY AND
 DON FOSTER**

MEDALLIC BIBLE:
FIRST PLACE-MEDALS
BEST OF EXONUMIA
BEST OF SHOW

**ETHEL LENHERT, LEFT,
 RECEIVES AWARD
 FROM NASC PRESIDENT
 JERRY YAHALOM
 FOR "BEST OF SHOW"**



**ETHEL LENHERT, LEFT,
 IS PRESENTED AWARD
 FOR "BEST OF EXONUMIA"
 BY CES PRESIDENT
 G LEE KUNTZ**

THROUGH THE NUMISMATIC GLASS

BY DR THOMAS F FITZGERALD
THE FIFTY YEAR HISTORY OF
CSNA---PART TWO



FIFTH CSNA CONVENTION-- SAN DIEGO--NOVEMBER 11-13 1949

Held at the U. S. Grant Hotel, with Mr Panosh serving as the General Chairman and the San Diego Numismatic Society as the host club. This was the first of many CSNA semi annual conventions to take place in San Diego. It was announced that bourse tables, to be located in the "Gold Room", would cost a "whopping" \$10.00. For the first time, exhibit awards were to be presented for the "best displays". Clint Hester was the winner of the "Best Exhibit" ribbon.

On November 12, 1949, Secretary Panosh stated that he could no longer act as Bulletin Editor. Abe Kosoff nominated Charles V Kappen, professor of Journalism at San Jose State College, and he was elected. Thus began a magnificent procession of editors who were to produce the best publication in the United States as attested to the record number of publication awards won. Professor Kappen was to go on and serve the organization brilliantly in a number of capacities including the presidency, and today is one of two editors "emeritus."

Editor Kappen changed the Bulletin's name to CALCOIN NEWS with the publication of Vol IV, #2, March 1950. The "California Club News, Views and WHO'S" and "Who's Who in California Numismatics" were begun by him. Dr Calvert L Emmons was the first Who's Who in May, 1950. The first articles about coins (as opposed to information of the clubs and csna activities) also appeared, including January's Coins by Sidney J Haas and Private Gold Coins of California by Abe Kosoff.

OAKLAND--APRIL 21-23, 1950--SIXTH CONVENTION

The East Bay Coin Club was the host club with their President, Robert G McArthur serving as General Chairman. The event was to be at the Hotel Leamington. Exhibit awards were organized by categories by Chairman Roy Hill. The "Best Exhibit" winner was Chris Peterson with his display of varieties of the US Large Cents. Registration numbered 119 CSNA members and a large number of other visitors. There were fourteen dealers in the bourse room. Four "speeches" on coins constituted the educational forum. All officers were re-elected by acclamation.

SEVENTH GATHERING--LONG BEACH--NOVEMBER 10-12, 1950

The Hotel Wilton was the site of the first convention reported with pictures in CALCOIN NEWS, another innovation by Editor Kappen. The publication was now being issued six times per year. The Orange County Coin Club was the host club and Sam Kabealo from Pasadena was the General Chairman.

Exhibit Chairman, Dr Calvert Emmons reported 33 exhibitors using 90 cases. Clint Hester and Michael Carey were awarded the "Best Exhibit" ribbons. There were 18 dealers and Charles Kappen served as Master of Ceremonies at the banquet. The Educational Forum was now a permanent part of the conventions with three speakers being introduced by Charles Ruby.

SANTA CRUZ--EIGHTH CONVENTION--APRIL 6-8 1951

Robert G McArthur served as General Chairman for the meeting held at the Hotel Casa De Rey. No host club was listed. Paul H Wittlin was awarded the auction. The new slate of officers elected at this convention and installed by Richard Yeoman, included Leonel Panosh (president), Everett Ostrom (vice-president), Robert McArthur (Secretary/Treasurer), Stewart Bingham (Librarian/historian/curator). Board members were Dr Calvert Emmons, Eugene Johnston, Charles V Kappen and Ralph Mitchell. The CSNA seal first appeared in the January, 1951 issue of Calcoin News having been adopted in 1950.

NINTH MEETING-- SANTA BARBARA--NOVEMBER 2-4 1951

Leonel Panosh was the General Chairman of the 9th semi-annual convention at the Mar Monte Hotel in Santa Barbara. Convention Badges were now mandatory for anyone entering, with a registration fee of \$2.00. With no local club, all were delighted with 146 members and visitors. There were 22 exhibits and 17 dealers making up the bourse. One hundred thirty two persons attended the banquet followed by dancing. Future elections were to be carried by mail ballots. Leonel C Panosh became acting editor again when Major Kappen reported for duty with the US Army on September 16, 1951. He returned to his duties as editor with the January, 1954 issue of Calcoin News.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONVENTIONS

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10TH Santa Rosa Hotel, Santa Rosa, April 4-6, 1952. Redwood Empire Club/Host-Edward Fogler, General Chairman.

11th Arrowhead Hot Springs Hotel, San Bernardino, October 24-26, 1952. Host/San Bernardino County Coin Club, Dr Calvert Emmons, General Chairman.

12th Tioga Hotel, Merced, April 10-12, 1953, Merced Numismatic Society/Host and George Coolures, General Chairman.

13th Los Angeles, October 22-25, 1953, Mayfair Hotel. General Chairman, George Bennett, Hosted by Los Angeles Coin Club. The registration of 203 members and guests set a new record. The banquet was attended by 172 folks.

14th Bellevue Hotel San Francisco, April 22-25, 1954. Host Club was the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society with Lesley Lodge as General Chairman. San Francisco Mint Superintendent Ross P Buell invited convention attendees to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the San Francisco Mint by touring the facility. A new record for the bourse was established by 25 dealers offering coins, paper money etc.

15th The Mission Inn, Riverside, October 7-10, 1954. General Chairman was Herbert M Bergen and the Orange County Coin Club hosted. Registration total of 232 was a new record.

16th Oakland, Hotel Claremont, April 28-May 1, 1955. East Bay Coin Club/Host—Gilbert D Eaton./General Chairman.

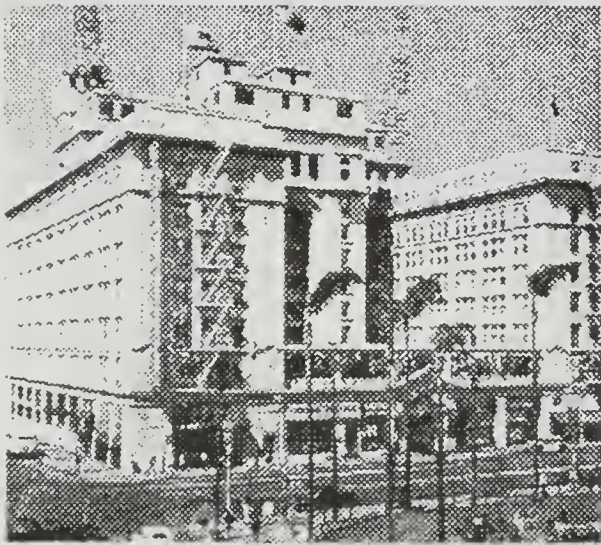
17th U, S. Grant Hotel, San Diego, November 10-23, 1955. Francis S Jones/General Chairman and San Diego Numismatic Society/Host.

18th Hotel Sainte Claire, San Jose, April 19-22, 1956. Bourse record is set with 27 dealers. San Jose Coin Club/Host, William R Weber/General Chairman

19th Santa Barbara, Hotel Marmonite, November 8-11, 1956. Harry S Davidson/General Chairman, Santa Barbara Coin Club/Host,

20th Casa De Vallejo Hotel, Vallejo, April 11-14, 1957. The 10th Anniversary of the CSNA was celebrated. Donald R Rhodes was General Chairman. Fifty-one exhibits and a registration of 206 (for a northern meeting) set new records.

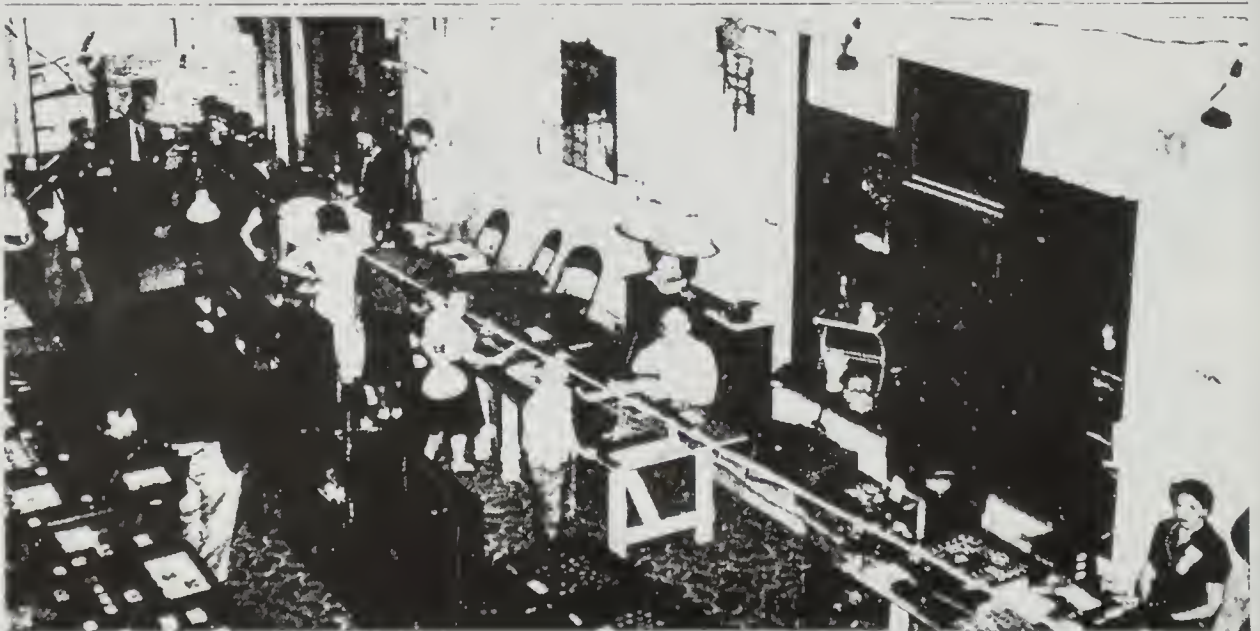
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GOVERNOR STANFORD: THE MAN AND THE LOCOMOTIVE

BY JOEL ANDERSON

Leland Stanford, the man, was in many ways like a charging locomotive. He did not let adversity get in his way. He was born in 1824 in Watervliet, New York. After a fire wiped out his successful law practice in Port Washington, Wisconsin in 1852, he joined his brothers who were in the mercantile business in the California gold fields. He prospered in California and soon bought out his brother's Sacramento grocery and drygoods store. With the booming population the business proved quite lucrative. Stanford was active in the group organizing the Republican Party in California, avidly campaigned the state for Abraham Lincoln in 1860 and was elected Governor in 1861. As Governor he worked actively for California's support of the Union cause during the Civil War.

Standford was one of the "big Four" and with Collis P Huntington, Mark Hopkins and Charles Crocker, formed the Central Pacific Railroad Company in 1861.

His loyalty to the party was rewarded when Lincoln signed the Pacific Railroad Act in July 1862, authorizing a transcontinental railroad by having the Central Pacific build east from Sacramento and the Union Pacific build west from the Missouri River. The act also provided for government land grants and loans. Cutting the railroads path through the steep and treacherous Sierra Nevada mountains proved to be one of the major engineering challenges of the time. The Central Pacific met the Union Pacific in Promontory, Utah on May 10, 1869, thus completing the railroad across the nation.

Following the death of their only son, Leland Stanford Jr , in 1884, Standford and his wife, Jane, decided to use much of their massive fortune to found a great university in their son's name. Unlike most universities of its day, Standford University was a co-educational and non-denominational institution. Initially the tuition was free. Since then tuition has risen considerably.

The Governor Standford, The Locomotive, was the first engine of the Central Pacific Railroad. The 4-4-0 American Standard Locomotive was built in 1862 in Philadelphia. The forty-ton wood burning locomotive was then shipped, disassembled, around Cape Horn to Sacramento where it was reassembled. The Governor Stanford hauled Central Pacific's first revenue freight and scheduled passenger service in 1864. It hauled massive amounts of materials over the Sierra Nevada Mountains.

As a child, I remember being able to visit the gleaming engine at the Standford Museum. I was sad when it was removed "for more important exhibits". For many years the engine was in storage. Today the engine is beautifully restored and can be seen at the California State Railroad Museum in Sacramento.

Merced's "piece of eight"

BY JOHN HOFFMAN

What possible connection is there between the legendary "Pieces of Eight" and an old time Merced billiard parlor? There's at least one, which has often existed elsewhere but has only surfaced recently in Merced.

Pieces of eight was of course the name given to the Spanish Empire's *Eight Reales*. This predecessor of the US silver dollar was the major coin issued by Spain's overseas colonies in the New World. Beginning in the sixteenth century, the *Eight Reales* was extensively coined in all of the Empire's mints of North and South America.

Later on in these same colonies interest grew to localize the money they used. Periodic coin shortages added urgency to this provincial focus.

The most common practice for addressing this problem was to cut the mother coin into eight pie-shaped wedges. These were then counter-stamped for the particular locality that was creating them. The value of each new piece was usually expressed as "a bit" and its multiples.

While these creations eventually faded from use, the name survived, both in the Caribbean and in the United States, where "bits" had been extensively used. The most common use of the term "bits" in this country has been our continuing reference to our quarter-dollar as "two bits" (remember the old football cheer: two bits, four bits, six bits, a dollar, all for old Gumshoe High, stand up and holler!).

But what possible connection does this have with a billiard parlor? Well....in our country's history, and particularly in the western U S , drinking and recreational establishments have been prolific users of merchant tokens. In simplest terms, a token might be described as a privately issued substitute for money, and a high percentage of saloons, pool rooms, billiard parlors, and similar establishments used them in the latter part of the 19th century through the early decades of the present century.

Usually round and most often made of metal, at least in earlier days, these tokens proclaimed a value "in trade", "in merchandise" or "in drink". The valuable turn-of-the-century Cosmopolitan Saloon token from Merced, octagonal and aluminum, was "good for 10 Cents in Trade". Merced's even more valuable Quigley Saloon token of the late 1880's was brass, round, and "Good for one Drink."

It was during this general time period that the price of beer rose, from 10 cents a glass to 25 cents for two. Such "schooners" held a large amount of beer, and customers were often unable to drink more than one. The solution for making change was a 12 ½ cent or "one bit" token.

As a result, saloon tokens of this denomination are not unusual. The book *Saloons of the American West* illustrates a large number of bar tokens. Of those pictured that reveal a denomination, 18 of 59 (30%) have a one-bit value. And, as tokens of this value became more common in saloons, other businesses such as billiard parlors occasionally adopted the one-bit denomination for their use.

However, while 12 ½ cent merchant tokens have been identified across the California landscape, including a few from other towns within Merced County, no one bit token from Merced City had ever been officially reported....until recently. This changed with my purchase of such a piece issued by Rowell and Goldman.

Research indicates that, as competitors, both W F Rowell and William Goldman were in the cigar and tobacco business in Merced during several of the early years of this century. Then, for a single year (1912), they were listed in a business directory as partners, Rowell & Goldman, involving "poolroom, cigars & tobacco." By the following year references indicate each had resumed individual business interests.

A 25 cent round, brass, Rowell and Goldman token has been officially known for many years and is listed in both major California token references (Kappen and Album), each issued during the 1970's. The 12 ½ cent token is aluminum and octagonal.



Our national coinage contains several issues that hold a special place in our country's history. It is merchant tokens, however, that help to provide permanent historical records for regional and local areas. Remember that, if you ever meet up with one of these *miniature antiques*!

EDITORS NOTE: John Hoffman holds CSNA Member #4490 and is a member of the Gateway Coin Club of Merced County, TAMS and other numismatic groups. He is an avid collector of Trade Tokens from Merced County and is currently compiling data on them.

NORTH OF THE TEHACHAPIS

BY Al Lo, Contributing Editor



BEEN THERE...DONE THAT....

Been there, done that, had fun, moving on.....thank you all....For the past 8 years I have enjoyed reading all of the Northern California CSNA member clubs newsletters. I have copied many of the great and helpful Ideas of these clubs for use in the many organizations that I belong to and have been an officer of. Sharing good Ideas has always been my goal when writing about the activities of the clubs. I hope that readers of my column have also enjoyed and benefited from our efforts. I have also attempted to recognize the many people who have helped the hobby by being speakers, exhibitors, tireless workers....all who have been unpaid, uncomplaining, and under appreciated. They deserve our thanks and recognition.

My special thanks and appreciation to VIRGINIA HALL and LORELEI FULWEIDER who gave me the opportunity and support to be the North of the Tehachapis editor. I wouldn't have lasted this long without their support!!!! Thank you also to REGAN SHEA, RUS STOLLING and THERESA LUND who followed Virginia.

NO WORD YET...

The ALAMEDA COIN CLUB is still in the process of arranging a coin show in 1998, possibly in September. Stay tuned for further announcements. The annual Christmas party is scheduled for December 19th at the Alameda Pizza. A donation raffle was held in September to benefit the club.

THE TRADITION CONTINUES...

The CUPERTINO COIN CLUB didn't have its annual Coin Show in September, but continued to have its traditional September Fest where Food, Folks and Fun reigned. Togo sandwiches, old fashioned stuffed eggs, macaroni & potato salads, cake, cookies, drinks and "gaming chips" (the potato kind) were eagerly devoured. In August there was an expanded Show & Tell where members were encouraged to give 5 minute talks instead of the usual 3 minute speeches. October's meeting was the traditional Youth Night and later in the month was the annual Awards Banquet.

IT'S A FIRST!!!

DELTA COIN CLUB produced its first encased wooden nickel (and the first encased wooden nickel produced by a West Coast coin club) to commemorate its 33rd Annual Coin Show. For those who can't see the picture in the Delta newsletter, there is a Lincoln

cent embedded in the middle of the wooden nickel. These were sold at the show for \$1. Guest speakers for the past two months were MIKE STANLEY (In August) who spoke about his experiences on the USS Enterprise and In September, MICHAEL TURRINI, showed slides taken when ANA President KEN BRESSETT visited the Club In June.

IT'S GREAT TO HAVE GOOD HELP!!!

The FAIRFIELD COIN CLUB members enjoyed two wonderful socials with Hot Dog Night In August and Bingo Night In September. The George Flannigan Auction was held In October to help replenish the club's treasury!! Also helping the treasury was the successful annual coin show at the end of September. The October newsletter recognized all of the faithful club members and friends who helped make the event a success. There were too many to list here but they deserve a....BIG HURRAH!!!

AND THE WINNERS WERE....

The FREMONT COIN CLUB had a great group of exhibits at its August show with the following people being awarded trophies...Best of Show/MIKE TURRINI; First Place/RICH KELLY; and Peoples Choice/GLENN JACOB. The Peoples Choice Award was a new category and Glenn's exhibit impressed a lot of visitors and was well deserved. Guest speaker for August was DEAN ALFRED who spoke on "all that Non-Money", advertising items which depicted coins and currency. In September, KEN BAUER, reported on his visit to Bosnia where he was a volunteer who worked with a children's center.

STOP!!...DON'T DO IT...

The FRESNO NUMISMATIC Society's White Elephant Auction was a huge success and raised \$195 for the club, more than double last years total. In August, the Show & Tell roundtable had an exceptional response with members bringing their favorite coin or set and explaining what it meant to them. Editor RANDY CLIFTON reprinted the following from the FNS February 1978 Newsletter. Its just as true today as it was then!

TWELVE WAYS TO KILL YOUR COIN CLUB

1. Stay away from meetings
2. If you come, find fault and never offer an alternative
3. Don't pay your dues
4. Decline office or appointment to a committee
5. Get sore if you are not nominated or appointed
6. After you are named, don't attend Board or Committee meetings
7. If you get on one, clam up until you leave the meeting
8. Do not work or volunteer for anything that may require work
9. Oppose all social affairs as being a waste of the attendee's money
10. If everything is strictly business, complain that the meetings are dull
11. Never accept a place at the head table
12. If you are not asked to sit there, threaten to resign because you feel you are not appreciated

WHO WAS THE UGLIEST???

CRAIG BLAKE of the GATEWAY COIN CLUB was the guest speaker at the Modesto meeting of the Sons of American Revolution (SAR) where he spoke on coins used during the Revolutionary War, as well as some insights on his own collecting. Recent club meetings have been the August White Elephant Sale and JOHN HOFFMAN's quiz on exnumia at the September meeting. The annual Dog Eat Dog (ugliest) Contest was held In October...hope we see the results in a future article!

CHUCK'S HOW TO....

Tour Guide GENE HOY presented a slide show on "100 Years of Overdates" at LIBERTY NUMISMATIC Society's July meeting. In August CHUCK WHITE told members "How to Prepare a Winning Coin Exhibit" and in September NEVIO ANDREATTA brought a rogues gallery of strange and unusual pieces to illustrate his "Oddities of Coin Collecting" talk. This year's medal commemorating Yellowstone National Park, was designed by President TOM LOVELACE.

FREE COINS, THREE CHANCES....

The LIVERMORE VALLEY COIN Club's recent programs have been a Coin World Trivia Contest (August); My Favorite Commemorative (September) and Major Expositions and Fairs (October) which had an emphasis on the Columbian Exposition. The club offered three chances for winning free coins at each meeting...On Time drawing, Member gold drawing, and Member Silver Eagle drawing. Just be there and you could be a winner!

TWO GREAT GUYS!!!

The September Issue of NCNA HEADS AND TAILS reported the 1997 winners of the prestigious RON MILLER AWARD. This award is the Northern California Numismatic Association's (NCNA) highest and most esteemed award. A plaque and engraved medal will be bestowed to JAN C HENKE and O L WALLIS on December 13 at the Joint Christmas Party of the FAIRFIELD COIN CLUB and the VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY. Both gentlemen have distinguished records of service and devotion to the hobby and have deservedly earned this award. CONGRATULATION TO BOTH!!!! JAN HENKE is a well known enthusiast and hobbyist of silver rounds, club medals, and woods. He is active in several Bay Area clubs and is the founding Editor of the WESTERN WOODEN MONEY CLUB's quarterly, West Wood. O L "WALLY" WALLIS is a collector of Presidential Inaugural Medals, Exposition Exonumia and club medals. A long time member of San Francisco Bay Area Clubs, and a past president of the NCNA and CSNA.

INTERMITTENT RESULTS

The PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC Society's newsletter, now titled, The PCNS Intermittent, reported that member AL BLYTHE brought his long study of the Seated Liberty Half Dime to the August meeting. His program was "Tough, Rare and unusual Dates" and he showed slides of many of these unusual coins. JERRY SCHIMMEL was the September speaker, informing the membership of "Tokens of Mexico 1790-1950-A Numismatic Slide Tour of our Neighbor to the South". Fun, Fun, Fun was promised for LARRY REPPETEAU's October talk on "The British Medal that Talked to Me". (Was this on Halloween??)

INDIANS AND SALT WATER

The SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB heard CHUCK WHITE speak on "Indians on Coins" at its August meeting. Chuck's talk contained lots of trivia on this interesting subject. In September, O L WALLIS presented "Nautical Numismatics" which gave the background of numismatic items with sea connections and brought out lots of member participation.

FIND IT ON THE WEB!!!

What's a BUNG TOWN? If you attended the PENINSULA COIN club's September meeting, you would have learned that a bungtown was a crude imitation of the English 1/2 penny which circulated in Pennsylvania and other states in the late 18th century. Each month Editor FRED VAN DEN HAAK tries to stump (and often succeeds) the members with a quiz, a superquiz or a superduper quiz question. The club bulletin, club info and club show info are on the PCC web site:<http://www-ieland.stanford.edu/~clint/pcc>.

MMM MMM GOOD!!!

REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB was unofficially renamed the Redwood Empire Connoisseur Club in its October bulletin. Oktoberfest Bash found hungry members enjoying bratwurst, hot dogs, polish sausages, potato salad, sauerkraut and all the beer (root) they could drink. Not all was eating & drinking because the Donation Night Auction helped replenish the treasury. Octobers bulletin also gave heartfelt thanks to the spark plugs of the club...President MERLE AVILA, Veep LEE GONG; Treasurer HELEN ROBERTS and Auctioneer ROY ROBERTS. "MANY THANKS TO YOU ALL- OTHERWISE THERE WOULDN'T BE A CLUB". MIKE "STEAMER" STANLEY brought his USS Enterprise exhibit and talk to the August meeting which informed and entertained everyone. September's "Other Coin Related Hobby Night" found such show & tells as dome shaped magnifiers (BILL BARTZ); books (JACK FREE and CHARLIE CATLETT); world coin type set (KEN JORDAN); Carson City coin show raffle (STEVE TITMUS); metal detectors (MERLE AVILA) and a counterfeit \$20 bill (LEE GONG).

THEY'RE BEAUTIFUL.....

The SACRAMENTO VALLEY COIN CLUB (SVCC) September Newsletter recognized SVCC's 15th Annual Spring Coin Show exhibit winners as Best of Show...LEE GONG's "Weak Strikes and Die Trials"; First Place...CHUCK WHITE's "Indians in Numismatics"; and Second Place...GORDON DONNELL's "Wooden Money". The August issue showed the many beautiful and artistic medal designs that were submitted by JEFF SHEVLIN, MARIANNE HOPKINSON and LONNIE REND for the clubs 40th anniversary medal contest. JEFF SHEVLIN was the winning designer.

PETER DOES IT!!

Editor PETER FLORES of the SAN JOSE COIN CLUB always finds interesting articles to reprint in his newsletter. Recent articles were titled, "The Evil Empress" and "Salt & Pepper Money". Peter manages to fill his 4-6 page newsletter with local, state and national items. Other Hobbies Night in August, Club Picnic in September, GUY GIAIMO's talk on the 1969S double die cent, Show & Tell highlights and October's Auction were other club events. JCC is commemorating its 50th Anniversary (1947-1997) by producing a special six medal set in silver golden and antique bronze, bright and antique copper and aluminum. Obverse and reverse designs were chosen by the vote of the membership from almost a dozen unique and artistic designs. Winning designer of the obverse is AL LO and RON ISHIZAKI (via Florida) designed the reverse.

JAN NEEDS IT....

The SOLANO SILVER ROUND CLUB's by-laws state "the primary purpose and objective shall be to advance and to enhance, plus encourage and promote the hobby, collecting, minting, study, and joy of silver rounds, among and with it's own members, fellow Numismatists, other hobbyist and the public". With this stated purpose, the club will publicize in its monthly bulletin, Silver Notes, any medal of other clubs if info sent to its editor: JAN HENKE...PO Box 3518, Fairfield CA 94533.

Medals Chairman MICHAEL TURRINI reported that the ordering period for the "Old Ironsides" medal is over and it has a final low mintage of only 62.

RIGHT ON CHRIS...

CHRIS YONAN's editorial in the STANISLAUS COUNTY COIN CLUB (SCCC) newsletter makes good sense and should be heeded by all numismatists, novice or expert. I have edited it for space but not content....Al)

CHRIS'S RULES FOR BUYING GRADED COINS

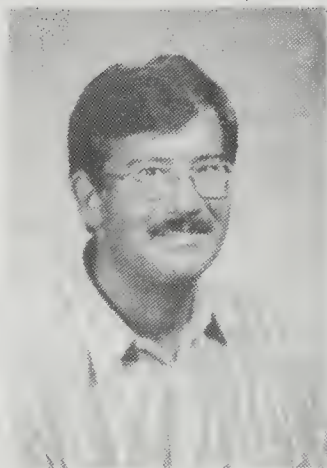
1. Never trust anyone else's grading—or stated positively, grade your own coins!
2. When in doubt, ask an expert or someone not involved in the transaction
3. If you have any doubts, don't buy it
4. If you are having trouble learning to grade coins, buy a book and learn
5. There is no substitute for looking at lots and lots and...lots of coins
6. You (or your heirs) will eventually sell your coins. Consider then, when you buy: would someone else buy it—is this coin problem free or are there things that will make it hard to sell or recover my money
7. Grading can be fun

Also fun and educational were the two articles in the September Issue "Food Stamp Change Tokens" by JOHN HOFFMAN and "Corn & Tradition Versus Numismatics" by DEWEY MAGGARD. The latter debunked the myth that the American Indians were the first to grow corn. Dewey claims that the Babylonians had it first!

RED BOOKS EVERYWHERE!!

The VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY gave away FREE RED BOOKS at its August Meeting...IF...you were lucky at bingo. Two dozen Red Books were awarded to lucky bingo winners. Some won two or three. Hmmm, I wonder if anyone wants to sell me a Red Book, CHEAP? September found the REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB joining VNS for its Fourth Annual Chinese Buffet meeting and "Commemorative Night". Highlight of the night was the raffling of choice classical commemorative coins as prizes (\$500 worth). A great evening of Food, Fun, Fellowship, and Fraternity was enjoyed by all!

My replacement, Michael "Stan" Turrini, needs no introduction. A well known numismatist, researcher and author, his articles on the Iowa Commemorative Half Dollar are the "bible" for that coin. Stan is the editor of the NCNA Heads and Tales, the official publication of the Northern California Numismatic Association, a newsletter that always contains interesting club information and thought provoking articles. GOOD LUCK STAN!!



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IN MEMORIUM----DON T THRALL

Born February 18, 1914, in Portland, Oregon, Don Thrall came to Berkeley California with his parents in 1923. He resided in Berkeley all his life.

Coins always held a fascination for Don and he started collecting as a boy. He specialized in California Banks, Early Western Railroads & California Street Car Tokens. Don was a pioneer member of the East Bay Coin Club, held membership in the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, American Vecturist Association, California Exonumist Society and the ANA.



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Joining CSNA as Member 667 in 1955, he wrote several articles for Calcoin News and was also published in the Numismatic Scrapbook. Don was a regular exhibitor at CSNA Conventions and many local shows. His award winning displays included Fractional Coins, German Coins, French Crowns, Railroad Currency, Transportation Tokens, History of Wells Fargo, Lincoln on Coins and Currency, and National Currency-Bay Area Banks. He also donated generously to CSNA's California Collection.

Featured in the Fall, 1960, WHO'S WHO Column- Calcoin News, he served as General Chairman of the 1961 and 1964 CSNA Conventions (both held at the Hotel Claremont) in Berkeley. Don also worked on numerous other conventions and local shows. He served CSNA on the Board Of Directors (1965-1971); as Vice-President (1974-1977); and was Treasurer from 1979-1989. Don T Thrall died November 14, 1997.

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THE WAY IT WAS.....

BY VIRGINIA M. HALL

Editor Emeritus

The 34th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION was held April 16-19, 1964, at The Hotel Claremont in Berkeley. DON THRALL was the General Chairman.

It is often said that the third time is the charm, but this was the fourth time for the EAST BAY COIN CLUB to be host. It was a GEM! Registration numbered more than 1200; with 125 attending the banquet.

THE FAITHFUL FOUR...the race was scheduled, the gates were opened, and away they went, and not too slowly with all four contestant crossing the finish line in a quadruple heat. Special ribbons were provided for IRVING and MATTIE KNICKERBOCKER, LOU PANOSH and ROY HILL, who have attended all 34 conventions. How's that for loyalty!

Sergeant-at-arms, RUDY GJUROVICK, better known as "King of the Koin Collectors" was on hand wearing his famous money suit. Visiting the Bay Area at the time was KENNETH BRESSET of Whitman Publishing Company. (Now Ken is past President of the CSNA).

The exhibitors numbered 34 who used 91 cases in 54 separate displays. Curator BRYAN BURKE filled three cases with an exhibit of recent donations to the California Collection. WILLIAM WISSEAD showed his Historian display. Best In Show Award went to ART LOVI for an impressive display of type sets of US Currency. Mr Lovi brought this exhibit all the way from Florida.

The sparsely attended Friday Night Forum presented two great speakers: STEPHEN ALBUM on the Tokens of Alameda County stating that some merchants used them as late as 1950. WILLIAM WEBER told of collecting US half cents and about some of the problems the Mint encountered in the late 1700's. Also, the fact that the half cents of 1802 were struck from planchets of mis-struck large cents and that often the design of the previous coin could be seen on them. A W RITCHIE served as the moderator.

Seventy-three dealers were in attendance at the two room convention hall. Dealers came from Washington, Texas, Colorado, Utah and California.

On Thursday many of the ladies enjoyed an informal coffee time. Most of them eagerly looked forward to the second day of the convention and an hour of fun with handwriting analyst Mrs Reta L Hartson. On Saturday the ladies attended a flower arrangement demonstration presented by Mrs. Elsie Kano, co-owner of Adachi Florist and Nursery.

The banquet was opened in memory of **EARL A PARKER** by Master of Ceremonies, **CLIFFORD L LISS**. Mr Parker had passed away February 7, 1964. **CHARLES KAPPEN** announced that CSNA was the oldest regional association west of the Mississippi.

Herbert Bergen presented the "Medal of Merit" to **RALPH "CURLY" MITCHELL**. It was reported when pictures were being taken of the presentation, two different flash cameras failed. (Hope the had another backup!)

After those present at the Sunday Morning Breakfast settled back with their second or third cup of coffee, **ROBERT G MCARTHUR** opened a discussion on the topic of "cooperation". **CHARLES JOHNSON** told of the American Numismatic Association organization and the advantages of its library and visual aid department. **HERBERT BERGEN** discussed the problems of the grassroots clubs and the cooperation with regional and national groups.

The result of all the above...**ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL CSNA CONVENTION**

A small aluminum token was issued by the **EAST BAY COIN CLUB** as Convention Host. No information is available on distribution or quantity struck. (Although a convention collectible, this is not one of the series of medals issued by CSNA). The photo shows the legends.



SOUTH OF THE TEHACHAPIS



By Harold Katzman,
Contributing Editor

YOUNG AND SERIOUS.....

WHITTIER COIN CLUB celebrated its birthday in September with an all you can eat buffet dinner. October saw ARRI JACOBS talk on "Introduction to Paper Money". Arri is one of the few young collectors to get serious about paper money. Looks like we have another Charlie Colver in our midst. Dealer BILL PANNIER talked in November on "Coin Holders".

THE CITY GOOFS!!!

The UPLAND COIN CLUB had to push their September meeting back a week when the city rented the already reserved room. However, the club still had 20 members attend this last minute change of date. October saw DON McCUE speak on the "Lincoln Shrine". Don is the curator of the largest collection of Lincoln memorabilia west of the Mississippi. In November, PHIL IVERSEN presented "Rocky Mountain High", a slide program of his trip to the ANA Convention held in Denver, CO in 1996.

HAROLD DOES IT ALL.....

BILL McNATT spoke at the August meeting of the WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB. His topic was "Confederate Fractional Currency and U S Fractional Currency". Bill is a noted collector and a contributor to the Pick Catalog. September saw HAROLD KATZMAN speak on "My Ten Favorite Numismatic Items". Those items ranged from a 1922 no "D" Cent (found and graded AU 55) to an autographed Garrett Book to a 1950D BU Nickel. In addition, Harold served as Auctioneer and sold almost every item up for sale. The club is still looking for an Editor (or President).

HISTORY LESSON!!

The LA COIN CLUB heard PAUL RANC speak on "Introduction to Roman Imperial Coinage" in September. Paul told of the history of the Roman Empire through its coins. His collection features some of the rarest and finest pieces in existence. In October, dealer MIKE MOLINA spoke on "What's Hot & What's Not in the Coin Market".

PINCH HITTING—RICHARD MURACHANIAN

RDUGO HILLS COIN CLUB had a last minute program change in August when member RICHARD MURACHANIAN filled in for the scheduled speaker DAN BRADY. Richard spoke on the "Person City Mint". In October, Deputy Sheriff DAVE WILLARD, spoke on "Personal and Home Security". He was assisted in his presentation by his daughter, Holly. In November, PHIL IVERSEN gave a slide program entitled "Rocky Mountain High".

CANCELLED.....

the SANTA BARBARA COIN CLUB had to cancel their August gathering due to building repairs being done at their meeting hall. September was member "Show & Tell" month. Each member in attendance received a FREE redbook. October was "Bourse Night" and everyone became a dealer for the evening. The club announced that their annual X-Mas party would be held Dec 14 at Harry's Pizzeria Café in the Loreto Plaza Shopping Center.

SUPER AUCTION!

the SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB celebrated "Other Hobby Night" in August with seven individuals sharing information about their other collections. In September, DONALD ANNON spoke on "Colonial Currency". He told stories about the notes issued and the signatures on these notes. October was "Super Auction Month" with over 145 items up for sale (including two 1995 VDB Cents in XF). November saw SUSAN TRASK, one of the club's newest members, speak on "Civil War Tokens and Store Cards".

ALPHABET SOUP???

After a two month summer vacation, the REDLANDS COIN CLUB resumed meeting in September. The topic for the month was "Coins Beginning With the Letter H", October featured the letter "I", followed by "J" in November.

A HAND WRITTEN CLUB BULLETIN???

Due to a broken laser printer, the Club secretary had to hand write the monthly bulletin for the GARDEN GROVE/ORANGE COAST COIN CLUB. What a way to go GARY BEEDON! In September, LES WATSON gave a slide show presentation "Phillippines Coins Minted by the U S Mint". New member GORDON HJELMSTROM spoke on "Swedish Plate Money" in October, and MERRY KLEEB, in November, on "Paper Money of Mexico".

NOW SPEAKING...ROY IWATA

DAN BRADY spoke to the ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB in June. Dan is a dealer at Circle City Numismatics and spoke on "Varieties and errors". He brought a nice exhibit to the club which added to his talk. In July, ROY IWATA gave a presentation on "Grading Mint State U S Coins". In August, he gave a slide program on "Love Tokens".

WHITE ELEPHANT POTLUCK?

August was the annual potluck meeting for the LONG BEACH COIN CLUB. It was also the night for the "White Elephant Sale". September's meeting had Mr President-ED CASAUS present the program. Ed spoke on "Two Women on American Money". The only two women to appear on U S Money are Martha Washington and Susan B Anthony. In October, DAN BRADY enlightened the group by sharing information about "Mint Errors & Varieties".

GOLD MINING....

PHIL IVERSEN conducted a "Coin Grading Clinic" for the LITTON COIN CLUB in September. JEFF KLEMZAK told of his adventures "Mining for Gold in Alaska" at their October meeting. He also demonstrated gold panning to those in attendance. I wonder how you pan for gold in the frozen Alaskan landscape? November was "Show & Tell Night" and the annual Holiday Party was held Friday, December 12.

A TRUE OLD TIMER!!

In August the ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY/ISRAEL COIN CLUB of LA saw the first showing of the video "Interview with Gerda Wiener". At the time of the interview, the sculptress was 97 years young. Speaker, MEL WACK serves as Producer/Director Judah Magnes Jewish Hall of Fame Medal Program. STEVE DAVIS spoke on "My Favorite Israel Medals" at the September meeting.

A TWO MONTH PROGRAM!!

Again in August, HEMET NUMISMATISTS heard about "Types of Commemorative Half Dollars". Due to the length of the program, it was presented in two parts (July & August). CLIFF PARR did an excellent job giving this presentation. September was "Other HOBBY NIGHT" and included collections of unopened playing cards, military decorations, jokes, Boston postcards, etc. In October, President CHARLIE MILLER gave a talk on "National Bank Notes".

A REPEAT PERFORMANCE....AND AGAIN!

ISRAEL MERICA-JONES gave a superb program on the "SBA Dollar" at the August meeting of the HEARTLAND COIN CLUB. She was so popular that the September program on the "1971D Half Dollar" was also given by Israel. And would you believe it if I told you Israel did the October program on "The Roosevelt Dime"? Well its all true! Oh, by the way ...did I tell you that Israel is one of the club's JUNIOR MEMBERS!! YEP! The Club had their annual show on November 9 in El Cajon.

THANK YOU MR VICK.....

"Small Talks on How my Collection started" was the program before the GLENDALE COIN CLUB in August. Everyone was asked to speak briefly on how they started collecting. September was "Elephant Appreciation Night" (AKA: White Elephant Sale). The Club noted it was looking to fill two positions: 1st Vice-President and Assistant Treasurer. Any Volunteers? By November, BOB VICK did volunteer to be 1st Vice-President, but they are still looking for a treasurer helper.

DISPLAY NIGHT!

A report on that August Super Auction night at the FONTANA UNITED NUMISMATIST meeting says that over 140 lots went up for sale to the highest bidder. Well over half the lots sold. SUSAN TRASK spoke on "The Civil War & Its Token Coinage" at the September meeting. October was "Display Night" where members set up a competitive exhibit. The winner, announced in December, gets the NONA MOORE Peoples Choice Display Award.

MINTS AND MORE MINTS

AL HOOGEVEEN spoke at the August meeting of the CULVER CITY COIN CLUB. His topic was "Utrecht Mint—Revisited". Al recently visited the mint and gave an updated program. September saw PAUL BORACK talk on "Medallic Art Issues". October was "Other Hobby Night" and PHIL IVERSEN spoke to the club in November about his "Rocky Mountain High".

ALTERED STATES

"Coins of Special Significance" was the program before the August meeting of the COVINA COIN CLUB. Speaker MARTIN MILLER shared many beautiful coins that all had some special significance attached to them. In September, RALPH MARX talked about collecting "American and Foreign Travelers Checks". In October, WALTER OSTROMECKI gave a program on "Altered Coins". Did you know that according to Walter, over 60% of the better coins are altered. Better check those 09S VDB and 22-no D cents! In November the club held an "Other Hobby Night".

GET WELL WISHES TO.....

MAURICE GETZ who is recovering from a heart attack.
PAUL BORACK was in the hospital again and is now home.
GEORGE RUSSELL had open heart surgery and progress is good.
GENE CALVERT had heart surgery, an extended stay in the hospital and is now on the way to a solid recovery.
DON COLLINS had by-pass surgery and is doing well.
MARIE MURACHANIAN was in the hospital and is now at home.
BESS STURGESS recently underwent knee surgery.

...WE REMEMBER DEPARTED MEMBERS...

WALTER NUKES—an active promoter of Junior Numismatists
ABNER KREISBERG—dealer and member of several clubs
EDWARD STRANGER of INS/ICC of LA
TOM BOSCH of Hemet
STEWART BINGHAM of Hemet
HAROLD SCHNAUBELT—a life member of Heartland Coin Club
MAURICE SHABAZIAN of Culver City
HELEN BARBARA TRUMPOWER—founding president of the Hemet Numismatic Society

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

KUDOS to NASC President JERRY YAHALOM and his wife MARY on being selected Numismatic Ambassadors by Krause Publications.

WALTER OSTROMECKI was presented the ANA's Outstanding Adult Advisor Award at this years convention.

Upland President DON FOSTER and wife TERRY are new grandparents as son David and his wife added a daughter to the family.

West Valley member RICHARD MURACHANIAN recently married GINA SNYDER.

INAUGURAL MEDAL TRIVIA.....

- 1801** Thomas Jefferson, the first president to be inaugurated in Washington DC was presented with a medal designed by German-born artist John Reich.
- 1889** The first medals to be given as keepsakes were minted for the Centennial Inaugural celebration—that of Benjamin Harrison.
- 1905** The medal designed for President Theodore Roosevelt by Saint-Gaudens was the first to display the now standard eagle motif on the reverse.
- 1929** In an effort to protect the tradition of presidential medals, Hoovers's Inaugural committee sold medals as commemoratives. Approximately 1000 medals were sold at a profit to the committee.
- 1945** Costs to mint the medals for FDR's fourth term were underwritten by Ambassador Joseph E Davies, Chairman of the Inaugural Committee because the country was at war and funds could not be appropriated for their production.
- 1949** Harry Truman's Inauguration launched the first national sale of medals, with 7,900 sold. With this effort, the tradition of financing celebrations through sale of medals began.
- 1960** Since the election between John F Kennedy and Richard Nixon was expected to be close, a die was cast for each candidate. Once JFK was elected, the die for Nixon was given to the Republican National Committee.
- 1969** The medal produced for Richard Nixon's first Inauguration proved so popular that more than 78,000 bronze and 15,000 were sold. Designed by Ralph Menconi, the medal displayed the Great Seal of the United States as it was embroidered by his daughter Julie.
- 1981** Ronald Reagan was the first President to take the oath of office on the West front of the Capitol. This change of tradition was captured on his Inaugural Medal.

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6:30PM CSNA AUCTION ROOM A

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9:00AM CSNA OPEN BOARD MEETING ROOM A

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11:00AM-4:00PM AUCTION PICKUP-CSNA TABLE BOURSE ROOM

11:00AM CONECA-ERRORS COLLECTORS CLUB—ROOM A

12:00NOON WESTERN WOODEN MONEY CLUB ROOM A

1:00PM CALIFORNIA EXONUMISTS SOCIETY

3:00PM CSNA EDUCATIONAL FORUM ROOM A

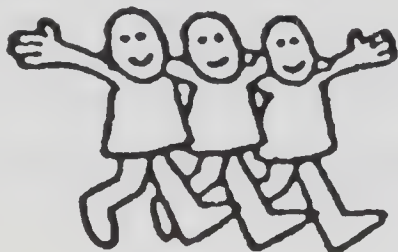
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ARROWHEADS AND PING PONG BALLS

by Rus Stolling

This author has often been credited with having an only slightly higher than average grasp of the obvious. It is precisely that talent that has led to this treatment of the topic at hand. As you read, bear in mind that what follows is based on careful observation, a generous dollop of speculation, precious little academic research, and an abundance of tangential imagination.

This rambling account addresses an inquiry made of me by my son, David, at the tender and inquisitive age of five years. The question: "Why are COINS ROUND?".

The answer should be readily apparent to the experienced and thoughtful observer. (It was my personal hero and role model, the great philosopher and catcher for the New York Yankees, Yogi Berra, who so adroitly stated that "You can learn a lot by just watching"-words I have taken to heart and live by in my continuing endeavor to comprehend the seemly inexplicable.) The simple answer is that square coins, or triangular coins, or coins of any shape with corners, would poke holes in your pockets in short order. Also, they just don't roll worth a darn.

Square coins might be less damaging because their angles are less acute. (That's fancy scientific talk that means their corners aren't as pointed.) A coin with five sides and five corners would be even less damaging-but notice that the more sides and corners a shape has the more nearly circular it becomes. So probably, even if coins had started out as squares, they would have evolved into circles anyway.

Have you ever tried to roll a triangle or a square? Diligent and determined research demonstrates that no matter how steep the slope, those shapes won't tumble more than one or two diameters before they cease all forward progress and fall right over on their flat sides. How could a coin of any shape other than round ever work in a vending machine? You'd have to slide 'em in flat on their sides. Even then, every now and so often, one would get in there cockeyed and jam up the works. I'm sure those far sighted Lydians were already thinking of this potentiality when they punched that first electrum stater.

It has been said that the more we know, the more we realize there is to know. Even so, as one question is answered, another arises. Our investigation is thus elevated to another stratum with the question “if a circle is a good shape for a coin, wouldn’t a sphere be even better?”

The great teachers of antiquity are said to have on occasion, answered a question with a question in order to jog the inquisitive mind toward its own conclusions. I’m going to give that respected technique a shot right here—

If you think a pocket full of round, flat quarters is bulky, what if you had just a dollar-fifty in coins shaped like ping-pong balls? What if you had only one Ike dollar in your pocket, but it was shaped like a golf ball? If coins were balls, a roll of pennies would be a yard long! You’d have to store your Morgans in mailing tubes! So common sense tells us that round and flat is the best shape for coins, so you can roll ‘em one way and stack ‘em the other. And besides, how could important issues be settled if there were no “Heads” or “Tails”?

Now having resolved the issue of why coins are round, let me add that not all coins are round. Both England and Mexico issue a seven-sided coin. The sides of the coins are curved so that when the coin is measured across its diameter from any of the seven corners, the diameter is as constant as if the coin were round. Thus, although not round, the coin can roll and so can be used in coin-operated machines.

Several developing nations issue coins of irregular shape. I have a square one (with rounded corners-for safety, no doubt) from a middle eastern country and a handful of coins with wavy or rippled edges from elsewhere. The purpose for the irregularity in shape are-and I read this somewhere, so it must be true—so that coins of different denominations will have different shapes and the illiterate, or those of failing eyesight, can tell coins of varying denominations, one from another by touch. Clever, I say, and very considerate of the less fortunate should they be fortunate enough to acquire more than one coin at a time. However, should these nations ever experience the widespread use of vending machines or pay-phones, coinage redesign, not to mention public education and nationalized vision care, would become immediately necessary.

SCRIPOPHILY: the collecting of Stock Certificates, bonds etc.

30TH ANNUAL: SYMPOSIUM

THE 30TH ANNUAL CALIFORNIA SYMPOSIUM AND EXHIBITION IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 1998, DAYS INN, RAYMOND AVE AND FREEWAY 91, FULLERTON. THIS IS THE SAME LOCATION WHERE THE CSNA EVENT HAS BEEN HELD FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS. THE ACTIVITIES ARE FROM 10:00AM TO 4:00PM.

ALL YOUNG NUMISMATISTS WILL BE THE GUESTS OF THE NASC FOR LUNCH WITH THE SPEAKERS. THEY WILL ALSO RECEIVE A NUMBER OF NUMISMATIC GIFTS THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF MANY CLUBS, FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS. MEMBERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO INVITE THE JUNIORS TO THIS VERY INFORMATIVE EVENT.

THREE SPEAKERS NAMED

CSNA EDUCATION DIRECTOR DR TOM FITZGERALD ANNOUNCED THE NAMES AND TOPICS OF THREE SPEAKERS WHO WILL BE ON THE PROGRAM. A FOURTH SPEAKER WILL BE NAMED SHORTLY COMPLETING WHAT PROMISES TO BE ANOTHER OUTSTANDING PROGRAM THE CONFIRMED SPEAKERS ARE:

DR. JAMES RAWLS WHO SPECIALIZES IN THE CIVIL WAR. THE TENTATIVE TITLE FOR HIS PRESENTATION IS THE CIVIL WAR COMMEMORATED BY UNITED STATE'S HALF DOLLARS.

JAMES L MILLER, PUBLISHER OF COINAGE MAGAZINE. MR MILLER HAS HAD A BRILLIANT CAREER OF PRODUCING SEVERAL VERY POPULAR NUMISMATIC PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING WITH A VARIETY OF WRITERS. HIS PRESENTATION IS BOUND TO INTEREST ALL ATTENDEES.

DAVID W LANGE, PAST PRESIDENT OF CSNA WHILE HE WAS RESIDING IN SAN FRANCISCO. NOW WORKING FOR THE NUMISMATIC GUARANTY CORPORATION OF AMERICA (NGC), MR LANGE HAS MADE THE SWITCH FROM A DEDICATED COIN COLLECTOR HOBBYIST TO A PROFESSIONAL WITH THE NEW JERSEY FIRM. WRITER, LECTURER AND CLINICIAN, LANGE PROMISES TO PIQUE EVERYONE'S CURIOSITY AS HE RECOUNTS HIS EXPERIENCES.

THANKS DAVID!!!!

TERRY WOODWARD, LIBRARIAN, tells us that DAVID W LANGE has donated a copy of his latest book "THE COMPLETE GUIDE TO LINCOLN CENTS" to the CSNA Library. It is now available for checkout. Ask for catalog # GB 30L2.

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AUDIO VISUAL

A note recently received from AV/Custodian, KAY EDGERTON LENKER says that the slide programs in the CSNA AV/Holdings get a lot of use..... but the films and tapes are gathering dust!. We are publishing a list of videos that are available to the membership on a loan basis.

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WHO'S WHO

IN CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATICS

Joel Anderson

LM 46-1 CSNA PRESIDENT 1997-1998

Joel Anderson is a fellow with a friendly, relaxed manner and a quick smile who "loves money", and also loves history. His first "love affair" started when he was in the third grade in Palo Alto California. Joel sold two 1955S pennies to a local dealer for 20 cents each. He thought that was "real easy money and a "dealer" was born.

Joel soon discovered that he could buy older and better foreign coins for less than similar US coins. He also discovered that even if he could not afford to collect a series, he could still study and write about them. Joel had his first numismatic article, on the Money Cowrie, published while in high school. Since then he has had a number of numismatic articles published. Today, one of his regular catalogs features short articles about the various world coins and notes offered. While in high school he began offering "inexpensive world coins" by mail too help finance his hobby. Joel continued selling coins by mail while attending college the University of Santa Clara and while earning his Masters of Business Administration at the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth College.

It was a shortage of money that nudged Joel into a "full time Numismatic business". Silicon Valley "reorganizations" put him out of a "real" job. Deciding that it was more fun to sell coins rather than work, he "retired" from corporate accounting and went into the coin business full time. Feeling that he could not afford to live in Silicon Valley on a coin dealers earnings, Joel and his wife Lila (his "other" Love) moved to her hometown of Merced, California. He now serves collectors throughout the world by mail and Internet, offering a wide range of moderately priced "interesting world coins and paper money". He and his family also set up at coin shows throughout California. His daughter, Grace, has been attending shows since age three.

Joel is also a hobbyist. One of his interests is Chinese Cash Coins. The round coins with square holes remained basically unchanged for more than 2000 years. He has studied them in depth, compiled information and republished hard-to-find out of print books on Chinese Cash and other numismatic topics. Other collecting interests include odd & curious money and "whatever looks neat".

Numismatic organizations and clubs have benefited from Joel Anderson's interest and enthusiasm. He joined CSNA during its Fresno Convention in 1991, after some gentle arm twisting by John Lenker, as member #5447. He has served as a member of the Board, Vice President, Convention General Chairman, Youth Coordinator and is currently President. He is also a member of ANA, Numismatics International, Oriental Numismatic Society, International Bank Note Society, Worldwide Bimetallic Collectors Club, International Primitive Money Society and various local clubs. He has served in almost every office at his home club, The Gateway Coin Club of Merced County, having been president, Vice President, Secretary, Newsletter Editor, Program Chairman, Publicity Director, Youth Activities Coordinator, Co-Bourse Chairman and Exhibit Coordinator. In addition Joel has designed four club medals for the Gateway Coin Club and is co-designer of CSNA's 102nd convention medal along with his wife and daughter. Joel serves as Financial Secretary at the Merced United Methodist Church and has taught both Junior and Senior High Church school. He regularly gives programs in Merced area schools about money and was an advisor to the Boy Scout's Coin Collecting Merit Badge Pamphlet.

The editor thanks the Merced Sun Star, who ran an article entitled "Joel Anderson's Love Affair with Money", January 12, 1991, as well as Lila and Grace Anderson for information contained in this feature. We regret that Joel was camera shy, but see page 4.

MEDAL OF MERIT AWARDED AT PASADENA

The name of *William J (Bill) Grant* has been added to the list of CSNA members honored with the California State Numismatic Associations highest award, The Medal of Merit.

Bill has been an exhibitor at local, regional, state and national numismatic conventions and has repeatedly come away with high awards, and has also acted as a Judge for many other events.

He authored the Bourse Corner for Calcoin News for several years and served as an Assistant Editor for the same publication and has also furnished numismatic articles for numerous coin publications

Bill has been on the Board of Governors for California State Numismatic Association since 1990, serves as Property Chairman for the annual CSNA Educational Symposium and as General Chairman of semi-annual conventions. He most recently served as the General Chairman of the Golden State Coin Show and CSNA 101st Convention.

He has served as an officer in many coin clubs in the Orange and San Bernardino areas, and is a past president of the California Exonumist Society. His devotion to CSNA and numismatics in general is boundless. Bill's ability, experience and enthusiasm will help keep California State Numismatic Association in the forefront of the hobby.

CONGRATULATIONS BILL!!!!!!

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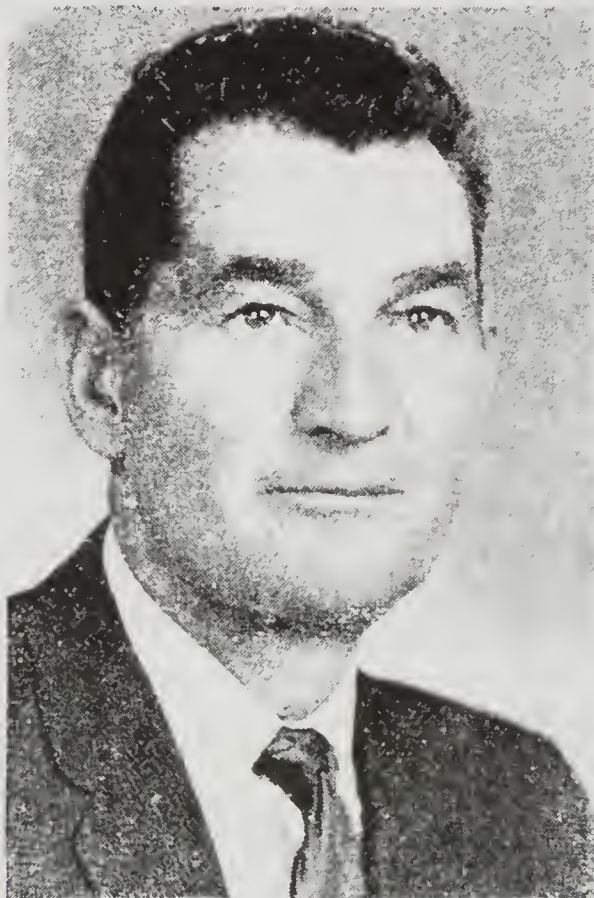
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IN MEMORIUM.....LLOYD ELDON BEAULIEU

Born August 11, 1906, in San Jose California, he was the descendant (on both sides) of early Santa Clara Valley settlers. Eldon completed high school in Sunnyvale and attended San Jose State College. Although he majored in music in college, Eldon chose banking as a career. He retired as Loan Officer from the downtown branch of Wells Fargo in San Jose.

Eldon's interest in coins began during his stint as a bank teller. He was the only collector on the staff and had access to many coins turned in by depositors. He started with U S coins later expanding his collection to include tokens and medals. He was a member of the San Jose Coin Club and several other bay area numismatic groups. He served as the first General Chairman of the Coast Counties Coin Carnival.



CSNA MEMBER 883

Eldon joined CSNA in April, 1958. He contributed much to the organization over the years and was featured in the Spring 1963, Calcoin News column Who's Who in California State Numismatics. Eldon was General Chairman of the CSNA Convention held in San Jose, April 18-21, 1963. He was appointed Historian in the summer of 1967. That appointment began a period of long and faithful service ending in 1984. His service to CSNA did not stop however with his "retirement" from an appointed office. His wife Dorothy was the CSNA Librarian for many years, and we suspect that Eldon carried books back and forth to the Post Office. In May, 1989, CSNA bestowed the title *HISTORIAN EMERITUS* on L ELDON BEAULIEU.

In addition to coin collecting, Eldon played the piano, was a music director and sang in the choir of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Santa Clara. He enjoyed golfing and was a member of SIRS (Branch #21) and the Lions Club. Eldon died November 6, 1997. He was 91 years of age. We extend our sympathy to Dorothy and the family.

Photo: Calcoin news file

TIME CAPSULE

FROM THE CALCOIN NEWS FILE

FIFTY YEARS AGO: The December, 1947 CSNA Bulletin, Vol 1-No 3, (forerunner of Calcoin News) appeared in the current format size. The Club had first published in June and then September, 1947, on legal size paper. Editor Leonel Panosh said that the size change was made so that it would be easier to maintain a file of them.

FORTY YEARS AGO: Winn Osborne's Secretary's Report showed a membership of 495, and Treasurer T Kirk Hill reported a balance of \$1,233.47 in the January, 1958 issue. Curator-Historian Erick Werling had a complete and bound set of the Club Journals (CSNA Bulletin and Calcoin News) for the historians use.

THIRTY YEARS AGO: According to Librarian Dorothy Beaulieu, CSNA had some 600 bound volumes as well as many unbound catalogs, price lists and other numismatic items in the winter of 1968. CSNA was planning to print a Library Catalog in the coming year. 1964 Disneyland Convention Medals (the first official CSNA issue) were still available for 50 cents in Bronze and \$1.00 in Nickel Nickel Silver. Quantity lots of the Bronze medals also available at dealer discounts.

TWENTY YEARS AGO: President John Lenker's report in the winter, 1978 issue told about the "Blue Ribbon Committee" that met all day to discuss the continuation of the educational goals of the Association. Membership had reached 1,383 per Secretary Charles Colver and Treasurer Ruth Phillips reported \$17, 746.01 in the bank. CSNA established a memorial fund to receive donations in memory of departed members to be used for educational projects.

TEN YEARS AGO: The Winter, 1988, issue featured a report of the CSNA 40th Anniversary bash at the Big Bear Corral (?). Ranch Foreman Dorothy Baber was on hand and Pistol Packing Harold (Katzman) guarded the nuggets from the Red Lion Mine. Maybe Ginny Hall can expand on "The Way It Was" in a future issue!

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

ETHEL LENHART, CSNA CORRESPONDING
SECRETARY

AUGUST 16 through October 31, 1997

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LM-1-40	Boltz, Paul (C-19)
LM-1-43	Borland II, Dr Robert L (C-181)
LM-1-44	Capps, Claudia (C-255)
LM-1-39	Craton, Paul F (C-18)
LM-1-41	Ritchie, Alexander W (C-28)

SUMMARY OF SECRETARY'S REPORT

686	Membership on August 16, 1997
7	New Members (August 16 through October 31, 1997)
5	Convert to Life Membership
693	Membership as of October 31, 1997
	125 Total Life Members

ETHEL'S DREAM

I FELL ASLEEP THE OTHER NIGHT
AND WHILE I HAD MY SNOOZE
I DREAMED EACH MEMBER STEPPED
RIGHT UP
AND PROMPTLY PAID THEIR DUES.
BUT WHEN I FOUND IT WAS A DREAM,
I NEARLY HAD A FIT,
IT'S UP TO YOU TO MAKE IT TRUE---
PLEASE DO, PLEASE DO....REMIT!!!



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GOLD WORKING FOR AMERICA

Gone are the days when the prospector's tools were a pick and shovel, pack mule and luck! Today, gold exploration is a high tech business, with geologists using satellites, helicopters and computers. And instead of gold nuggets, much of the gold mined today can only be seen with an electron microscope.

This microscopic gold can only be extracted economically by using advanced technologies. Since 1982, the US gold mining industry has invested billions, and new mines have been developed as well as previously unprofitable ones re-opened. Gold is mined from coast to coast in the US.

Just as the gold rush of the last century settled the American West, today's "gold rush" is bringing new life to many regions of the country. Gold mining jobs grew from 3,000 in 1980 to more than 16,800 in 1990. With each mining job creating two additional jobs in related industries, gold mining generates over 50,000 jobs. In addition, thousands are employed in the precious metal fabrication, jewelry manufacturing and marketing industries.

EDITORS NOTEPAGE by TMIL



You have probably noticed by now that the long-standing WHO'S WHO IN CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATICS has been reinstated. We hope to feature a member numismatist in each issue. Club Presidents, this is a way to honor your hard working members. Send their "bio" and a recent photo. We'd like to feature someone from South of the Tehachapis in the Spring issue.

The SHOWCASE exhibit is empty this issue as no one stepped forward with a club history and logo. Did receive one "reservation" for the Summer issue when one of our member clubs will be celebrating a 25th Silver Anniversary. Look for the SHOWCASE in future issues!

FROM THE MAILBAG

The PACIFIC COAST SOCIETY was founded in 1915, so there would be a host club for the ANA which was holding its annual meeting in San Francisco during the time of the Panama-Pacific Exposition. (PCNS Intermittent-August, 1997).

Congratulations to the DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY whose exhibit at the Contra Costa County Fair won a Second Place award in the Community Feature-Community Service Division. The Club can be proud of that Red Ribbon and will certainly enjoy the \$325 that came with it. (Diablo Die Break-August 1997).

MISSING ISSUE #4 OF VOLUME 51 OF CALCOIN NEWS?? Not really! The numbering system is being changed so there is no number 4, and you have all of your issues. The change is being implemented to align better with delivery dates. Each year the volume will begin with the Winter Issue (# 1) scheduled for delivery between Christmas and January 1.

By the time you are reading this, Ron and I will have been to Texas (and back). On December 13, granddaughter Amy Lund was united in Marriage to Allen Gardner and of course, among the wedding gifts was an engraved silver medallion. As we have concluded, we're not losing a granddaughter, but gaining another grandson, and a potential collector!

******CALCOIN NEWS SCHEDULE******

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-KEY DATES-

A CALENDAR OF CSNA AND MEMBER CLUB EVENTS

CSNA SHOWS & EVENTS

JANUARY 16-18, 1998 CSNA 102nd CONVENTION

PARKSIDE HALL (OLD CONVENTION CENTER)

PARK AND MARKET STREETS SAN JOSE CALIFORNIA

Host: SAN JOSE COIN CLUB

**Bourse: Dean Alfred, SJCC PO Box 5621 San Jose Ca, 95150
(408) 727-3736**

General Chairman: Joel Anderson

HOURS Fri-Sat 10AM-7PM Sun 10AM-4PM Donation \$1

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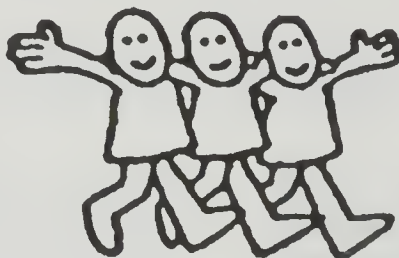
MARCH 14, 1998 (SATURDAY)

CSNA 30th ANNUAL

EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

DAYS INN, RAYMOND AVE

AT FREEWAY 91, FULLERTON



SEPTEMBER 5-6, 1998

CSNA 103rd CONVENTION & GOLDEN STATE COIN SHOW

PASADENA CONVENTION CENTER—300 East Green Street

Bill Grant, General Chairman

Kay Lenker-Bourse Chairman

Terry & Don Foster-Exhibit Coordinators

DEALER SET UP FRIDAY SEPT 4

HOURS SAT 9AM—7PM SUN 10AM—4PM

ADMISSION \$2.00 FOR BOTH DAYS

MEMBER CLUB SHOWS & EVENTS

JANUARY 11, 1998 (SUNDAY) SAN BERNARDINO CALIFORNIA

35th ANNUAL COINS AND COLLECTIBLE SHOW

National Orange Shoe Events Center—Citrus Bldg, Gate 8 So Arrowhead

HOURS: 9:30AM—5:00PM Adult Adm \$2 Under 12 free

This Show will kick off a special celebration as the San Bernardino Coin Club prepares for its 50th birthday in June, 1998

Contact: Bill Grant, P O Box 295 Patton, CA, 92369-0295

PH (909) 864-7617

email: MESARED@aol.com

MARCH 28-29, 1998 (SAT- SUN) SANTA ROSA CALIFORNIA

REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN SHOW (30th ANNUAL)

Sonoma County Fairgrounds, E C Kraft Bldg, 1350 Bennett Valley Road, Hwy 12

Bourse: Merle Avila, 5850 Commerce Blvd, Rohnert Park, CA 94928

Days 707-585-3711 Eves 707-824-4811

Dealer Set UP Friday March 27 4-8PM

SHOW HOURS SAT 10AM-6PM SUN 10AM-4PM ADM \$1

APRIL 25-26, 1998 (SAT-SUN) SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA

SVCC 16th ANNUAL SPRING SHOW NEW LOCATION!!!!!!!

SACRAMENTO CONVENTION CENTER-EX HALL E 15th & J Streets (Downtown)

HOURS: SAT 10AM-6PM SUN 10AM-4PM

MAY 17, 1998 (SUNDAY) EL CAJON CALIFORNIA

HEARTLAND COIN CLUB SHOW 10AM-4PM

El Cajon Masonic Lodge, 695 Ballantyne St, El Cajon

Bourse: Ken Stempien, 1826 Treseder Circle, El Cajon, CA 92019 619-442-7021

Another Show coming up for this group November 8, 1998

JUNE 14, 1998 (SUNDAY) MERCED CALIFORNIA - NEW LOCATION!!!

GATEWAY COIN CLUB 25th ANNIVERSARY COINS & COLLECTIBLE SHOW

MERCED COMMUNITY CENTER (DOWNTOWN) 755 W 15th St (15th & O Streets)

HOURS 10AM-5PM Admission \$1

CONTACT GATEWAY COIN CLUB, P O Box 3101, Merced, CA 95344 or 209-722-5426

OCTOBER 17-18, 1998 (SAT & SUN) STOCKTON CALIFORNIA

DELTA COIN CLUB 34th ANNUAL COIN SHOW

Eagles Hall, 1492 Bourbon Street ADMISSION: FREE

INFO: RUBEN SMITH III, P O Box 5787, Stockton CA 95205

209-982-5961 (Eves)

FAIRFIELD COIN CLUB is planning their 9th Annual COIN & COLLECTIBLES SHOW but are experiencing some scheduling problems. Date TBA and other details in the Spring Issue.

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